

**TOWN OF SANDWICH
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 2, 2016**

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order in the Sandwich High School auditorium by Moderator Garry Blank at 7:05 P.M. The total number of eligible voters for this meeting was 15,359 and the clerks checked in a total of 480 voters, which is a 3% turnout.

The Moderator swore in the following Sandwich residents as tellers: Nancy Crossman, William Fleming, Maryellen Anderson, Paul Houlihan, Bob King, Tobin Wirt and DC Huntley. Taylor White, Town Clerk, and Susan Lundquist, Assistant Town Clerk served as the timekeepers. Board of Selectmen Chairman, Ralph Vitacco, led Town Meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Anne Cabbage of First Church did the invocation.

Town Clerk, Taylor White, requested a moment of silence for longtime Sandwich resident and poll worker Barbara Knight. Finance Committee Chair, Linell Grundman, requested a moment of silence to honor Finance Committee member Thomas Hickey.

ARTICLE 1

To see if the Town will vote to hear the reports of all Town Officers and Committees and to act thereon and to hear the report of the Board of Selectmen on the Long Range Plan, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town accept the Report of all Town Officers and Committees as printed in the 2015 Annual Town Reports and hear the report of the Board of Selectmen on the Long Range Plan. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to hear the report of the Finance Committee and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$73,125,047.00, or any other amount, to defray Town expenses for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 as itemized below in the third column entitled FY'17 Recommendation, or take any action relative thereto.

Fiscal Year 2017 Finance Committee Budget Message:

In accordance with Section 7.2b of the Town Charter the Finance Committee hereby presents its Fiscal Year 2017 budget message to the residents and taxpayers of Sandwich.

The Town creates and presents to Town Meeting budgets supported by revenues, which modestly enhance its reserves, and borrows responsibly to support critical capital needs to maintain its infrastructure. This has enabled the Town to provide the schools, public safety, and municipal services residents' value. This year, Sandwich has enhanced its long-term credit rating, which allows the borrowing of needed funds at very low interest. This year's budget, as presented, is reasonable. The Finance Committee voted to recommend the budget as presented (Article 2).

It should be noted that it is a challenge to estimate State aid and assessments because these amounts are not finalized until well after tonight's vote on the budget. In the event that State aid and assessments figures change substantially from current projections, adjustments will be made in a future Special Town Meeting.

Sandwich is in good financial condition, thanks to careful planning and management, but faces major challenges both short-term and in the years ahead. The Finance Committee has communicated these challenges to the Town Manager, School Committee and Board of Selectmen. Significant challenges include:

- Revenues will rise in the future at an estimated rate of modestly above 3% annually. Select costs (like insurance and school assessments) are likely to increase at a greater rate, making it difficult to maintain current services.
- Our largest expense remains our schools, which continue to manage declining enrollments and a shrinking building footprint.
- The town has significant capital needs, including replacement of the Safety buildings, renovation or disposal of the Wing School, unknown future costs associated with beach restoration and to be determined costs for water resource management, plus a multi-million-dollar list of road repairs and deferred maintenance.
- We also have an obligation to pay future health costs of Town retirees and should carefully plan for, monitor and manage that ever-growing future payable.

Costs to maintain programs will increase. Employee health premiums are one of many significant costs outside the direct control of town officials. And, while we have benefited from very low inflation in recent years, that may not continue. A pattern of increases in cost that is greater than the increases in revenue constitutes a structural deficit. That remains a concern. In addition to noting and communicating to the Town Manager, School Committee (the "SC") and Board of Selectmen (the "BOS") observed budget challenges; the Finance Committee also published a series of budget-related recommendations including:

- That the BOS and SC establish closer coordination, cooperation and information sharing between the town's HR departments/teams and work towards establishing a single town HR department/team under the direction of the town's HR Director.
- Better coordinating and resourcing technology infrastructure investments with a dual focus on eliminating paper based records and automating all records search and retrieval processes be considered a priority (for funding and implementation).
- The CPC consider creating, as a matter of policy, a prioritized list of projects and strategic priorities and that the CPC approval process be amended to require the identification of any and all operational budget impacts and costs for the Town's operational costs associated with CPC projects.
- That the BOS and SC establish close coordination, cooperation and information sharing between the town's Facilities Management departments/teams and ultimately establish a single municipal facilities / maintenance department for all town facilities.
- That the operating budget capital line item be regularly funded at \$2,000,000 and that the town set aside no less than an additional \$300,000 annually in its operating budget for road maintenance, \$100,000 annually for building maintenance and repair and that the schools set aside no less than \$300,000 annually in its operating budget for building maintenance and repair.
- The Finance Committee strongly recommends that a 2017 priority of both the BOS and SC be establishing principals related to general employee compensation and specifically that attention be given to recognizing revenue growth as an important limitation to compensation changes.

The process of creating a spending plan within the limitation of available funds is always a challenge. It is never easy to create a budget that enables our schools, public safety and Municipal services departments to provide excellent services within the confines of available resources. A great many officials, both appointed and elected, work to develop our budget. The Finance Committee respects the efforts of all of the people responsible for creating budgets. Their jobs are difficult.

The Finance Committee in accordance with its role in Town Government outlined in the Town Charter seeks to provide meaningful and actionable financial advice and recommendations to the School Committee, Board of Selectmen, Town staff, and most importantly, taxpayers and voters of Sandwich. Committee members take their mission seriously and work to regularly deliver a fair and reasonable assessment of financial plans, budgets, and our town's fiscal stewardship.

The Finance Committee wishes to thank all those involved in the budget process, especially the School Department and all the Municipal Department Heads. Town Staff cooperated with a complete review of the Municipal Departments, something not done in many years. I wish also to thank the Chair of the Board of Selectman and the School Committee for excellent "Chair to Chair" communications regarding scheduling, etc.

Respectfully submitted,
 Linell M. Grundman, Chairman, Sandwich Finance Committee

FY'17 BUDGET TOTALS

		FY'15	FY'16	FY'17
No.	Department	Appropriation	Appropriation	Recommendation
114	Moderator	450	450	450
123	Selectmen/Manager	451,549	467,269	479,632
	Personnel Expenses	252,254	244,875	414,500
131	Finance Committee	3,400	3,400	3,400
135	Accounting	217,367	226,810	214,338
141	Assessing	373,800	384,818	387,126
145	Treasurer	190,328	205,882	210,809
146	Tax Collector	193,336	201,800	197,601
147	Tax Title	25,000	35,000	35,000
151	Legal	275,000	300,000	300,000
152	Human Resources	161,271	170,163	176,338
161	Town Clerk	158,168	165,677	172,001
162	Elect. & Registration	77,250	60,750	70,250
171	Natural Resources	245,608	270,676	274,814
175	Planning & Development	202,623	222,299	218,046
190	Facilities Management	502,862	522,455	530,350
195	Town Reports	11,000	11,000	11,000
196	Bind Records	6,000	6,000	6,000
197	Info. Technology	492,219	529,329	537,012
	Total 100s	3,839,485	4,028,653	4,238,667
210	Police Department	3,479,919	4,098,264	4,333,512
220	Fire Department	3,264,912	3,211,210	3,273,122
241	Inspections	257,631	265,317	273,268
244	Sealer of Weights & Measures	200	200	200
291	Emergency Management	11,500	11,500	11,500
294	Forest Warden	1,500	1,500	1,500
297	Bourne Shellfish	4,000	4,000	4,000
299	Greenhead Fly	2,000	2,000	2,000
	Total 200s	7,021,662	7,593,991	7,899,102
300	School Department	31,358,436	30,915,593	31,715,518
313	UCCRVTs	1,828,435	2,049,172	2,184,779
	Total 300s	33,186,871	32,964,765	33,900,297
410	DPW - Engineering	184,212	188,745	194,367
420	DPW	1,449,207	1,467,558	1,678,698
421	Snow & Ice	250,013	250,014	400,000
424	Streetlights	30,000	30,000	30,000
	Total 400s	1,913,432	1,936,317	2,303,065

No.	Department	FY'15 Appropriation	FY'16 Appropriation	FY'17 Recommendation
510	Health Department	177,515	187,330	191,771
522	Nursing Department	132,121	145,742	152,412
540	Social Services	21,200	35,000	35,000
541	COA	198,448	217,769	230,048
543	Veterans	44,006	45,500	55,500
Total 500s		551,395	573,290	664,731
610	Library	985,336	944,017	949,833
630	Recreation	108,320	155,787	161,834
650	DPW - Parks	13,850	20,850	20,850
671	Hoxie / Grist Mill	0	20,000	20,000
693	Memorial Day	1,200	1,200	1,200
694	Historic District	13,000	13,000	14,750
Total 600s		1,121,706	1,154,854	1,168,467
Operating Budget Subtotal:		47,656,446	48,309,921	50,174,329
135	Sanitation, Marina & SHGC Indirect Costs Transfers			45,000
171	Waterways Fund Transfer			7,500
220	Ambulance Fund Transfer			1,050,000
630	Beach & Recreation Account Transfers (incl. Sandy Neck)			221,424
632	Marina Debt			200,000
645	Community Preservation Act Debt			1,561,638
650	Cemetery Trust Fund Transfer			25,000
671	Hoxie House / Grist Mill Transfer			33,000
Inter-Fund Transfers Subtotal:				3,143,562
132	Reserve Fund			500,000
710	Short Term Debt			50,000
750	Debt			3,970,074
750	Debt – To Be Issued FY'17			435,000
910	Group Health Insurance			9,700,000
912	Medicare			636,000
940	Property & Liability Insurance			961,000
941	Unemployment Account			100,000
941	OPEB Trust Fund			100,000
950	Retirement Assessment			3,355,082
Other Budget Accounts Subtotal:				19,807,156
FY'17 BUDGET TOTAL:				73,125,047

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town hear the report of the Finance Committee and raise and appropriate \$68,904,437; transfer and appropriate \$977,048 from Free Cash; transfer and appropriate \$1,050,000 from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation account; transfer and appropriate \$100,000 from overlay surplus; transfer and appropriate \$1,357,113 from the Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2017 estimated annual revenues; transfer and appropriate \$204,525 from the Community Preservation Fund undesignated fund balance; transfer and appropriate \$215,000 from Sandwich Marina funds; transfer and appropriate \$15,000 from the Sandwich Hollows Golf Club enterprise fund; transfer and appropriate \$15,000 from the DPW – Sanitation Division enterprise fund; transfer and appropriate \$221,424 from the beach parking receipts reserved for appropriation account; transfer and appropriate \$33,000 from the Hoxie House / Grist Mill receipts reserved for

appropriation account; transfer and appropriate \$7,500 from the Waterways Fund; transfer and appropriate \$25,000 from cemetery trust funds; and raise and appropriate \$100,000 for the OPEB Trust Fund; to defray Town expenses for the Fiscal Year 2017 as itemized in the third column entitled FY'17 Recommendation, as printed in the Warrant under Article 2, and set the compensation of elected officials as follows:

Moderator	450
Chairman Board of Selectmen	3,000
Selectmen – 4 each	2,500
Chairman Board of Assessors	2,000
Assessors – 2 each	1,500
Town Clerk	76,083

This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c.44, §53F½ to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of establishing the FY'17 enterprise fund budget for the Department of Public Works Sanitation Division, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town transfer and appropriate \$800,000 from DPW – Sanitation Division receipts and transfer and appropriate \$239,417 from the DPW – Sanitation Division retained earnings, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for establishing the Fiscal Year 2017 Enterprise Fund operating budget for the DPW – Sanitation Division. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c.44, §53F½ to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of establishing the FY'17 enterprise fund budget for Sandwich Hollows Golf Club, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town transfer and appropriate \$883,802 from Golf Course Receipts, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for establishing the Fiscal Year 2017 Enterprise Fund operating budget for Sandwich Hollows Golf Club. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c.44, §53E1/2 to authorize revolving funds for the following Town departments for FY'17, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with the following list:

Revolving Account	Revenue Source	Allowed Expenses	Expenditure Limit	Year-End Balance
Sandwich Marina	Marina revenues, fees & charges	Marina operations & capital	\$2,000,000	Available for following year
Recreation Programs	Program fees & charges	Recreation programs	\$250,000	Available for following year
Solar Energy / Town Utilities	Green energy payments	Town utility expenses	\$200,000	Available for following year
Town Hall Meeting Room	Function fees & charges	Town Hall & monitor expenses	\$5,000	Available for following year

or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town authorize Town Department revolving funds for Fiscal Year 2017, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, as printed in the Warrant under Article 5. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to hear the report of the Capital Improvement Planning Committee, and further, to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$836,403.00, or any other amount, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of purchasing and repairing equipment, vehicles, and buildings, and providing related services in accordance with the following list, with any unexpended balance for each item identified below to be placed in the Building Repairs / Capital Purchases account to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen:

Natural Resources – Replace Tractor Less Trade-In	20,600
Facilities Department – Town Building Repairs/Improvements	125,000
Facilities Department – Pick-up Truck with Plow Replacement	28,000
Facilities Department – Library Access & Roof Repairs	50,000
Facilities Department – Towable Debris & Leaf Blower	11,600
IT Department – Security Camera Installation at 3 Sites	32,930
Police Department – Replace Mobile Radios	21,634
Fire Department – Build Brush Breaker on Donated '90 Chassis	150,000
Fire Department – Fire/EMS HazMat & Site Data Software	15,000
Fire Department – Upgrade UHF Radio System	32,000
Fire Department – Purchase 5 Thermal Imaging Cameras	30,950
School Department – Forestdale School Wastewater Upgrade	200,000
DPW – Highway Department – Stump Grinder	35,506
Recreation Department – Oak Crest Cove Utility Vehicle	13,000
Recreation Department – Skate Park Reconstruction Efforts	20,000
Natural Resources – Replace Buoys	4,000
Natural Resources – 3 AEDs for Department Vehicles	6,000
Facilities Department – Gravely Mower & Brushcutter Attachment	4,903
Police Department – Replace Patrol Cruiser Rifles & Shotguns	8,382
Fire Department – 2 Positive Pressure Ventilation Fans	4,310
Fire Department – Rescue Air Cushion	5,858
Nursing Department – Vaccine Freezer & Refrigerator	7,230
Recreation Department – Oak Crest Cove Cabin Equipment	9,500

Capital List Total 836,403

AND FURTHER,

To offset the cost of the capital projects listed in Article 6, to see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$150,000.00, or any other amount, from the Ambulance Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for a net FY'17 capital appropriation of \$686,403.00, or any other amount,

or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town hear the report of the Capital Improvement Planning Committee and transfer and appropriate \$686,403 from Free Cash and transfer and appropriate \$150,000 from the Ambulance Fund receipts reserved for appropriation account, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of repairing equipment, vehicles and buildings, and providing related services as printed in Article 6 of

the Warrant, with any unexpended funds to be placed in the Building Repairs / Capital Purchases account to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote in accordance with M.G.L. c.40, §5B to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of \$100,000.00, or any other amount, to be transferred into the Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town transfer and appropriate \$100,000 from Free Cash to the Stabilization Fund. This was a voice vote and declared unanimously carried by the required two-thirds majority by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of \$27,447.27, or any other amount, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of funding the FY'17 Sandwich Promotions Fund as established under Chapter 227 of the Acts of 1997, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town transfer and appropriate \$27,447.27 from the Sandwich Promotions Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for funding the Fiscal Year 2017 Sandwich Promotions Fund as established under Chapter 227 of the Acts of 1997. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of money, received or to be received, from the Chapter 90 State Aid to Highways Program for highway construction and/or maintenance on any State approved road during FY'17, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town appropriate amounts to be received from Chapter 90 State Aid to Highways Program for highway construction and/or maintenance on any State approved road during Fiscal Year 2017. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$34,293.20, or any other amount, to be expended under the direction of the School Committee, from the Sandwich High School cellular tower lease receipt reserved for appropriation account, for the purpose of the maintenance and improvement of exterior athletic fields and facilities at Sandwich High School, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town transfer and appropriate \$34,293.20 from the Sandwich High School cellular tower lease receipts reserved for appropriation account, for the maintenance and improvement of exterior athletic fields and facilities at Sandwich High School. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$52,548.36, or any other amount, from the beach renourishment receipts reserved for appropriation account, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of funding future public ocean beach and dune renourishment projects, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town transfer and appropriate \$52,548.36 from the beach renourishment receipts reserved for appropriation account, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for funding future public ocean beach and dune

renourishment projects. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the purpose of designing and constructing improvements to Sandwich public roads and related infrastructure, including all costs incidental and related thereto, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into any and all contracts necessary to carry out such project; provided that said appropriation shall be contingent upon the passage of a so-called proposition two and one-half capital expenditure exclusion referendum in accordance with M.G.L. c.59, §21C(i½), or take any action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate \$1,300,000 for the purpose of designing and constructing improvements to Sandwich public roads and related infrastructure, including all costs incidental and related thereto, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into any and all contracts necessary to carry out such project; provided that said appropriation shall be contingent upon the passage of a so-called proposition two and one-half capital expenditure exclusion referendum in accordance with M.G.L. c.59, §21C(i½). This was a voice vote and declared carried by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money for the purpose of designing and constructing a new police department headquarters, including equipment and furnishings and other costs incidental and related thereto, and for the purpose of designing and constructing improvements and remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to two fire department sub-stations located at the corner of Quaker Meetinghouse Road and Cotuit Road and at Route 6A in East Sandwich, including equipment and furnishings and all other costs incidental and related thereto, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to issue any bonds or notes that may be necessary for such purpose pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, §7(3), or any other general or special law, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into any and all contracts necessary to carry out such project; provided that said appropriation shall be contingent upon the passage of a so-called Proposition Two and One-half debt exclusion referendum in accordance with M.G.L. c.59, §21 C(k), or take any action relative thereto.

John Juros of Cranberry Trail called the question. Second from the floor. This was a voice vote and declared carried by the required two-thirds majority by the Moderator.

VOTED: That the Town appropriate \$17,015,000 for the purpose of designing and constructing a new police department headquarters, including equipment and furnishings and other costs incidental and related thereto, and for the purpose of designing and constructing improvements and remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to two fire department sub-stations located at the corner of Quaker Meetinghouse Road and Cotuit Road and at Route 6A in East Sandwich, including equipment and furnishings and all other costs incidental and related thereto, and to meet this appropriation authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow \$17,015,000 pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, §7(3), or any other enabling authority, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into any and all contracts necessary to carry out such project; provided that said appropriation shall be contingent upon the passage of a so-called Proposition Two and One-half debt exclusion referendum in accordance with M.G.L. c.59, §21 C(k). This was a counted vote and declared carried by the required two-thirds majority by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$750,000.00, as listed below, said sum to be transferred to Line 220 Fire Department, Line 910 Group Health Insurance, and Line 940 Property & Liability Insurance, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, to provide Fire Department services, including benefits, subject to a favorable vote to

override Proposition Two and One-half, so called, pursuant to M.G.L. c.59, §21C(g), or take any action relative thereto.

(8) New EMS/Fire Personnel, Equipment, Training, OT Costs	610,000
Health Insurance Costs	124,000
Liability Insurance Costs	16,000

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate \$750,000.00, said sum to be transferred to Line 220 Fire Department, Line 910 Group Health Insurance, and Line 940 Property & Liability Insurance as printed in the warrant under Article 14, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, to provide Fire Department services, including benefits, subject to a favorable vote to override Proposition Two and One-half, so called, pursuant to M.G.L. c.59, §21C(g). This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the FY'17 Community Preservation budget and to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund FY'17 estimated annual revenues the sum of \$75,000.00, or any other sum, to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for FY'17; and further to reserve for future appropriation a sum of money from the Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues for open space, historic resources, and community housing purposes, as well as a sum of money to be placed in the FY'17 Budgeted Reserve for general Community Preservation Act purposes; and further to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund a sum or sums of money for Community Preservation projects or purposes as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee; or take any other action in relation thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2017 Community Preservation budget and transfer and appropriate \$75,000 from the Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2017 estimated annual revenues, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2017; and further reserve for future appropriation from the Fiscal Year 2017 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues the following sums: \$193,872 for open space purposes; \$193,872 for historic resources purposes; and \$193,872 for community housing purposes. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds under the Community Preservation Act historic resources program the sum of \$1,200,000.00, or any other amount, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of preserving and making recommended repairs, renovations, and improvements to the Lower Shawme Pond Dam, the Dexter Grist Mill, and surrounding property; and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow up to \$1,200,000.00 and issue bonds and notes therefore pursuant to M.G.L. c.44B, §11, or any other enabling authority; or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Move that the Town appropriate under the Community Preservation Act historic resources program the sum of \$1,200,000, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of preserving and making recommended repairs, renovations, and improvements to the Lower Shawme Pond Dam, the Dexter Grist Mill, and surrounding property including all costs incidental and related thereto; and to meet this appropriation authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow \$1,200,000 and issue bonds and notes therefore pursuant to M.G.L.

c.44B, §11, or any other enabling authority. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the required two-thirds majority by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds under the Community Preservation Act historic resources program the sum of \$1,105,000.00, or any other amount, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of preserving and making recommended repairs, renovations, and improvements to the Clark-Haddad Memorial Building and surrounding property; and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow up to \$1,105,000.00 and issue bonds and notes therefore pursuant to M.G.L. c.44B, §11, or any other enabling authority; or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNTED VOTED: That the Town appropriate under the Community Preservation Act historic resources program the sum of \$1,105,000, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of preserving and making recommended repairs, renovations, and improvements to the Clark-Haddad Memorial Building and surrounding property including all costs incidental and related thereto; and to meet this appropriation authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow \$1,105,000 and issue bonds and notes therefore pursuant to M.G.L. c.44B, §11, or any other enabling authority. This was a counted vote and declared not carried by the required two-thirds majority by the Moderator. 148 Ayes and 110 Nayes.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds under the Community Preservation Act historic resources program the sum of \$70,000.00, or any other amount, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of preserving and making recommended repairs, renovations, and improvements to the Town of Sandwich Cedarville Cemetery located at the corner of Ploughed Neck Road and Route 6A; or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town transfer and appropriate under the Community Preservation Act historic resources program \$70,000 from the historic reserve, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of preserving and making recommended repairs, renovations, and improvements to the Town of Sandwich Cedarville Cemetery located at the corner of Ploughed Neck Road and Route 6A. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds under the Community Preservation Act historic resources program the sum of \$20,000.00, or any other amount, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of preserving and making recommended repairs, renovations, and improvements to the Thornton W. Burgess Society Green Briar Jam Kitchen; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a grant agreement with said Thornton W. Burgess Society, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deems appropriate, setting forth the conditions under which such funds may be expended, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept a historic preservation restriction pursuant to the grant agreement; or take any other action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town transfer and appropriate under the Community Preservation Act historic resources program \$20,000 from the historic reserve, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of preserving and making recommended repairs, renovations, and improvements to the Thornton W. Burgess Society Green Briar Jam Kitchen; and further, authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a grant agreement with said Thornton W. Burgess Society, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deems appropriate, setting forth the conditions under which such funds may be expended, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept a historic preservation restriction pursuant to the grant agreement. This was a voice vote and declared carried by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout as a public way of the road known as "Aviators Lane," as heretofore laid out by the Board of Selectmen, and as shown on a plan entitled "Town of Sandwich, Plan of Aviators Lane, as Laid Out as a Town Way by the Selectmen," dated March, 2016 prepared by Stephen Doyle and Associates, said plan on file with the Town Clerk; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain the fee to or lesser interests in said road and any and all related easements, and further to see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation, transfer from available funds and/or borrow a sum of money for said layout, acquisition of rights, and construction, improvement, repair and/or rehabilitation of said roadway and related structures, facilities and/or appurtenances, and any and all expenses related to the foregoing, the entire cost of which shall be assessed as a betterment by the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with M.G.L. c.80, upon each of those properties that receive benefit thereby, with such assessments to bear interest at a rate not to exceed two percent above the rate of interest chargeable to the Town; or take any action relative thereto.

COUNTED VOTED: That the Town accept the layout as a public way of the road known as "Aviators Lane," as laid out by the Board of Selectmen, and as shown on a plan entitled "Town of Sandwich, Plan of Aviators Lane, as Laid Out as a Town Way by the Selectmen," dated March, 2016 prepared by Stephen Doyle and Associates; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain the fee to or lesser interests in said road and any and all related easements. This was a voice vote and declared carried by the Moderator. 98 Ayes and 38 Nays.

Motion to Lisa Hassler of Harbor Street moved to reconsider Article 17. There was a second from the floor. This was a voice vote and declared not carried by the Moderator

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant a perpetual easement to NRG Canal, LLC, its successors and assigns, over a portion of Baksis Road, being shown as "Proposed Utility Easement Area = 7,210 sq. ft. (0.17 acres)" on a plan entitled "Easement Exhibit Plan of Transmission Line Crossing Baksis Road Layout for Canal Generating Station, Sandwich Massachusetts, dated March 18, 2016" a copy of which is on file with the office of the Town Clerk, for the purpose of constructing, operating, maintaining, inspecting, and repairing an overhead transmission line and the appurtenant equipment, along, upon, across, and over that portion of Baksis Road, on such terms and conditions and for such consideration as the Board of Selectmen may determine, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute any and all instruments; or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant a perpetual easement to NRG Canal, LLC, its successors and assigns, over a portion of Baksis Road, being shown as "Proposed Utility Easement Area = 7,210 sq. ft. (0.17 acres)" on a plan entitled "Easement Exhibit Plan of Transmission Line Crossing Baksis Road Layout for Canal Generating Station, Sandwich Massachusetts, dated March 18, 2016", for the purpose of constructing, operating, maintaining, inspecting, and repairing an overhead transmission line and the appurtenant equipment, along, upon, across, and over that portion of Baksis Road, on such terms and conditions and for such consideration as the Board of Selectmen may determine, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute any and all instruments. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws by inserting a new Section 3.90, Dune Protection, to read as follows, or take any action relative thereto.

Section 3.90 DUNE PROTECTION

Part 1. No person or pet shall enter upon or cross over any dune on Town property including any Conservation Lands, whether by walking or in a vehicle, including bicycles, except at an authorized marked

crossover or designated beach access, other than in the performance of duties of a federal, state or Town official. Owners shall be responsible for keeping pets off of the dunes.

Part 2. It shall be unlawful for any person or pet to damage, destroy or remove any Town owned sand dune or part thereof, or to kill, destroy or remove any grass, shrubbery, trees or other vegetation growing on sand dunes unless authorized by the Town Manager.

Part 3. Enforcement:

- (a) This bylaw may be enforced by any Natural Resources Officer, Animal Control Officer, Assistant or Deputy Animal Control Officer, Harbormaster, Assistant Harbormaster, Shellfish Constable, Deputy Shellfish Constable, Recreation Department Employee, Police Officer or Special Police Officer.
- (b) Whoever violates any provision of this bylaw may be penalized by a noncriminal disposition process as provided in M.G.L. c.40, §21D and the Town's non-criminal disposition by-law. If noncriminal disposition is elected, then any person who violates any provision of this by-law shall be subject to a fine of two hundred dollars (\$200) for each offense. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate offense.
- (c) Whoever violates any provision of this bylaw may be penalized by indictment or on complaint brought in the district court. Except as may be otherwise provided by law and as the district court may see fit to impose, the maximum penalty for each violation or offense shall be three hundred dollars.

Any violations of the terms of this Bylaw shall be considered an act of trespass, and may subject the violator to arrest and removal from the beach pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 266, Section 120.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town amend the Town Bylaws by inserting a new Section 3.90, Dune Protection, by adopting the new language printed in the warrant under Article 22. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 3.75 of the Town Bylaws, Animal Control, by deleting the language of Section 3.75 in its entirety and replacing it with the following, or take any action relative thereto.

Section 3.75 ANIMAL CONTROL

Part 1. Purpose and Relation to Massachusetts General Laws

The purpose of animal control is to encourage the safe and humane treatment of animals and the maintenance of a safe environment for humans. Ultimately, it is the individual's responsibility to properly care for his/her animal(s) and to respect the rights of others.

In addition to the requirements set forth in this bylaw, the licensing, keeping and control of animals shall be in accordance with all applicable provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, including but not limited-to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 140, §§136A to 174E, inclusive, which provisions are incorporated herein.

Part 2. Board of Selectmen and Animal Control Officers

The Board of Selectmen act as Hearing Authority for purposes of M.G.L. c. 140, §157 and shall annually appoint an Animal Control Officer who shall be sworn in by the Town Clerk.

Part 3. Licenses

Annual dog and kennel licenses, as required by M.G.L. c. 140, §§137 and 137A, must be obtained from the Office of the Town Clerk by January 1 for a licensing period of January 1 through December 31. When licensing a dog for the first time, proof of spay or neutering should be presented in order to be eligible for neutered or spayed ("fixed") license fee. There will be a late fee per dog for licensing after June 30th.

Subject to approval of the Board of Selectmen, annual dog and kennel licensing may be conducted by mail.

The Clerk of the Town shall issue dog licenses and tags on a form prescribed and furnished by the Town . On the license form the Clerk shall record the name, address, phone number and the date of birth of the owner or keeper of the dog and the name, license number and description of each dog. Each tag shall include the license number, the name of the Town and the year of issue.

No kennel license shall be issued unless the applicant demonstrates that the use of the subject property as a kennel is permitted under the Town's Zoning bylaws.

Cat Licensing

Each cat must be licensed in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Selectmen.

Adopted May 4, 1992 (Article 52)

Part 4. Fees

The Board of Selectmen shall from time-to-time establish the fees to be charged for individual dog and kennel licenses, including late fees for licenses not obtained by the dates specified herein. Said schedule of fees is on record at the Town Clerk's Office, DNR and Town Manager's Office and is available to the public.

No fee shall be charged for a license issued under this section for a service animal as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act or regulations promulgated thereunder.

No fee shall be charged for a license issued to a working police canine.

Part 5. Leashing and Restraint

Any person owning or keeping a dog shall not allow it to run at large in any of the streets or public places in the Town of Sandwich or upon premises other than the premises of such owner or keeper, unless the owner or lawful occupant of such other premises grants permission therefor. No dog shall be allowed in any public place or street within the Town unless it is effectively restrained or unless it is confined within a motor vehicle. A dog is under restraint for purposes of this Bylaw if it is accompanied by its owner or other person responsible for the dog, who is in full control and such dog is securely restrained with a collar and leash or such dog is under the immediate and effective voice control. To be under effective voice control for purposes of this bylaw, the dog must be within the keeper's sight and the keeper must be carrying a leash.

Unrestrained or unlicensed dogs may be sought out, caught and confined by the Animal Control Officer or any police officer of the Town, and impounded pursuant to M.G.L. c. 140, §§151A and 167.

Nothing in this Part shall be deemed to prohibit the use of dogs for hunting, sporting, public safety or working purposes as long as said dogs are properly restrained.

This Part shall not apply to a service dog. For purposes of this bylaw, a service dog is a dog specially trained to perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including but not limited to guiding individuals with impaired vision, alerting persons with impaired hearing, or providing other similar assistance to individuals.

Part 6. Beaches

It shall be unlawful for the owner, keeper, or person responsible for any dog to permit it to be on any public beach, including fresh water beaches, and the Sandwich Boardwalk between May 15 and September 15. Dogs are not allowed on salt water town beaches between April 1 and September 15.

Part 7. Impoundment

It shall be the duty of the Animal Control Officer to apprehend any dog found running at large and to impound such dog in the Town holding facility or another boarding facility.

The Animal Control Officer shall keep a record of each dog impounded, which shall contain the following information: breed, color and sex, together with whether or not the dog is licensed, the license number, if any, and the name and address of the owner, if known.

The owner or keeper of any dog impounded under the provisions of M.G.L. c. 140, §167 may claim such dog, provided he or she first procures from the Town Clerk a license and tag for any such dog that is not licensed and pays a sum established by the Animal Control Officer for daily per cost of the care of the dog during the period of impoundment.

Part 8. Removal of Waste

No person owning or having the care, custody, or control of any dog shall permit such dog to soil or defile or commit any nuisance upon any sidewalk, street, thoroughfare, beach, or wetland, in or upon any public property or in or upon the property of persons other than the owner or persons having the care, custody, or control of such dog, unless said person picks up any such waste and disposes of same in a sanitary manner. Anyone having custody or control of a dog in a public place shall have in his or her possession a device or equipment to pick up and remove dog feces. Individuals with disabilities aided by service dogs and law enforcement, emergency or rescue officials with dogs carrying out official duties are exempt from this section.

Part 9. Enforcement and Penalties

The Animal Control Officer, Natural Resource Officer, or any police officer or special police officer of the Town shall be empowered to enforce provisions of this Bylaw.

In addition to the remedies set forth herein and in M.G.L. c. 140, §§136A to 174E, inclusive, or any other applicable provision of law, this Bylaw may be enforced through any lawful means in law or in equity, including, but not limited to, non-criminal disposition pursuant to G.L. c. 40, §21D. If non-criminal disposition is elected, then any person who violates any provision of this by-law shall be subject to the following penalties:

First Offense:	\$50 fine
Second Offense:	\$100 fine
Third and Subsequent Offense:	\$200 fine

Subsequent offenses shall be determined as offenses occurring within two years of the date of the first noticed offense. Each day or portion thereof shall constitute a separate offense. If more than one, each condition violated shall constitute a separate offense.

The Town may enforce this Bylaw or enjoin violations thereof through any lawful process, and the election of one remedy shall not preclude enforcement through any other lawful means.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town amend Section 3.75 of the Town Bylaws, Animal Control, by deleting the language of Section 3.75 in its entirety and replacing it with the new language printed in the warrant under Article 23. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: At 11:02PM the Moderator asked for a vote, per Town By-Laws Section 1.15 to introduce articles beyond 11PM. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the required two-thirds majority by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws by inserting a new Section 3.17, Public Consumption or Use of Marijuana, to read as follows, or take any action relative thereto.

Section 3.17 PUBLIC USE OR CONSUMPTION OF MARIJUANA

Part 1. Definitions

The following definitions shall apply to this bylaw.

Marijuana shall mean marijuana (or tetrahydrocannabinol) as defined in section 1 of chapter 94C, as amended, of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Consume shall mean taking into the human body by means of inhalation, ingestion, absorption or injection.

Part 2. Public Consumption Prohibited

No person shall smoke, burn, ingest, or otherwise use or consume marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol (as defined in M.G.L. c. 94C, § 1, as amended) while in or upon any area owned by or under the control of the Town, including, but not limited to, any street, sidewalk, public way, footway, passageway, stairs, dock, bridge, park, playground, beach, boardwalk, recreation area, boat landing, public building, school building, school grounds, cemetery, parking lot; any place to which the public has a right of access as invitees or licensees; or in or upon any bus or other passenger conveyance operated by a common carrier; or in or upon any place accessible to the public.

Part 3. Seizure of Marijuana in Violation

Any marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol burned, smoked, ingested, or otherwise used or consumed in violation of this bylaw shall be seized, held, and disposed of in accordance with M.G.L. c. 94C, § 47A.

Part 4. Identification of Person(s) Found in Violation

Any person found in violation of this bylaw shall, when requested by an official authorized to enforce this bylaw, provide his or her full legal name, date of birth and address.

Part 5. Enforcement of Bylaw

This bylaw may be enforced through any lawful means in law or in equity, including, but not limited to, enforcement by criminal indictment or complaint pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40, § 21 or by noncriminal disposition pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40 § 21D, by the Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager, or their duly authorized agents, or any police officer.

Part 6. Penalties

The fine for violation of this bylaw shall be \$300 for each offense. Any penalty imposed under this bylaw shall be in addition to any civil penalty imposed under M.G.L. c. 94C, § 32L.

Part 7. Severability

In the event that any provision, section or clause of this bylaw is hereafter judicially found to be invalid, such decision, invalidity or voidance shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of these regulations.

VOTED: That the Town amend the Town Bylaws by inserting a new Section 3.17, Public Consumption or Use of Marijuana, by adopting the new language printed in the warrant under Article 24. This was a voice vote and declared carried by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 25

To see if the Town will vote in accordance with M.G.L. c.40, §15A to transfer the care, custody, and control of the Henry T. Wing School and all of its buildings and grounds from the School Department, currently held for school purposes, to the Board of Selectmen, to be held for general municipal purposes, to be effective July 1, 2017, unless the School Committee votes to retain care, custody, and control of the facility past July 1, 2017 prior to the control being transferred to the Selectmen; or take any action relative thereto.

VOTED: That the Town vote in accordance with M.G.L. c.40, §15A to transfer the care, custody, and control of the Henry T. Wing School and all of its buildings and grounds from the School Department, currently held for school purposes, to the Board of Selectmen, to be held for general municipal purposes, to be effective July 1, 2017, unless the School Committee votes to retain care, custody, and control of the facility past July 1, 2017 prior to the control being transferred to the Selectmen. This was a voice vote and declared carried by the required two-thirds majority by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 26

To Elect the following Officers:

- One Board of Assessor member for a term of three years;
- One Board of Health member for a term of three years;
- Two Board of Selectmen members for a term of three years;
- One Constable for a term of three years;
- One Sandwich Housing Authority member for a term of five years;
- One Sandwich Housing Authority member for an unexpired term of two years;
- One Town Clerk for a term of three years;
- Two Planning Board members for a term of three years;
- Two School Committee members for a term of three years;
- Three Trustees of the Sandwich Public Library for a term of three years;
- One Trustee of the Weston Memorial Fund for a term of three years;

and all other candidates that may appear on the official ballot,

and to vote YES or No on the following questions.

BALLOT QUESTION #1

Shall the Town of Sandwich be allowed to assess an additional \$1,300,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of designing and constructing improvements to Sandwich public roads and related infrastructure, including all costs incidental and related thereto, for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand sixteen?

YES: _____

NO: _____

BALLOT QUESTION #2

Shall the Town of Sandwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and-one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued for the purpose of designing and constructing a new police department headquarters, including equipment and furnishings and other costs incidental and related thereto, and for the purpose of designing and constructing improvements and remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to two fire department sub-stations located at the corner of

Quaker Meetinghouse Road and Cotuit Road and at Route 6A in East Sandwich, including equipment and furnishings and all other costs incidental and related thereto?

YES: _____

NO: _____

BALLOT QUESTION #3

Shall the Town of Sandwich be allowed to assess an additional \$750,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of providing fire department services for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand sixteen?

YES _____

NO _____

The polls for the election will be open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. on said

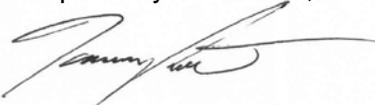
THURSDAY, THE FIFTH DAY OF MAY, 2016.

VOTED: To adjourn to the Town Elections on May 5, 2016. This was a voice vote and declared carried by the moderator.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 P.M.

I hereby certify that this is a true record of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 2, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,



Taylor D. White
Town Clerk

**TOWN OF SANDWICH
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
November 21, 2016**

The Special Town Meeting was called to order in the Sandwich High School auditorium by Moderator Garry Blank at 7:01 P.M. The total number of eligible voters for this meeting was 16,120 and the clerks checked in a total of 276 voters, which is a 1.7% turnout.

The Moderator swore in the following Sandwich residents as tellers: Daryl Crossman, Nancy Crossman, Sarah Triplet, Kathy Brown, Denise Dever, Bob King and Tobin. Taylor White, Town Clerk, and Susan Lundquist, Assistant Town Clerk served as the timekeepers. Board of Selectmen Chairman, Susan James, led Town Meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance. Selectman Patrick Ellis asked for a moment of silence for John Thomas, who recently passed. Pastor Anne Cabbage of First Church did the invocation.

ARTICLE 1

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money, to be expended under the direction of the School Committee, for the purpose of constructing improvements and remodeling, constructing, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to the Sandwich High School HVAC system located at 365 Quaker Meetinghouse Road, including design, site improvements, equipment, furnishings and costs incidental thereto, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate \$162,800, to be expended under the direction of the School Committee, for the purpose of constructing improvements and remodeling, constructing, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to the Sandwich High School HVAC system located at 365 Quaker Meetinghouse Road, including design, site improvements, equipment, furnishings and costs incidental thereto. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00, or any other amount, from the Ambulance Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of purchasing equipment, communication equipment, and related supplies for new Fire / EMS personnel in the Fire Department, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town transfer and appropriate \$100,000 from the Ambulance Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of purchasing equipment, communication equipment, and related supplies for new Fire / EMS personnel in the Fire Department. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c.44, §53F½ to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of \$90,000.00, or any other amount, from the Golf Enterprise Fund to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of completing extraordinary repairs and improvements to the Sandwich Hollows Golf Club clubhouse and golf course and for replacing maintenance and capital equipment for Sandwich Hollows Golf Club operations, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town vote in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c.44, §53F½ to transfer and appropriate \$90,000 from the Golf Enterprise Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of completing extraordinary repairs and improvements to the Sandwich Hollows Golf Club clubhouse and golf course and for replacing maintenance and capital equipment for Sandwich Hollows Golf Club operations. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds under the Community Preservation Act historic resources program the sum of \$1,157,252.00, or any other amount, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of preserving and making recommended repairs, renovations, and improvements to the Clark-Haddad Memorial Building and surrounding property, or take any other action relative thereto.

Robert George of the Service Road made a motion to indefinitely postpone Article 4. The motion was seconded from the floor.

John Juros of Cranberry Trail made a motion to move the question of indefinite postponement. The motion was seconded from the floor. This was a voice vote and declared not carried by the required two thirds majority by the Moderator.

The vote was questioned from the floor and at least seven members of Town Meeting stood and asked for a counted vote. The Moderator called for a counted vote on the motion to move the question of indefinite postponement. The Moderator declared the motion passed by the required two thirds majority by a vote of 194 yeas and 14 nays.

The Moderator called for a counted vote on the motion for indefinite postponement. The Moderator declared the motion failed by a vote of 101 yeas and 142 nays.

Bob King of Summer Street made a motion to move the main question. It was seconded from the floor. This was a voice vote and declared carried by the required two thirds majority by the Moderator

(MAIN ARTICLE) COUNTED VOTE: That the Town appropriate \$1,157,252 under the Community Preservation Act historic program by transferring \$300,000 from the historic resources reserve and \$857,252 from the undesignated fund balance, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of preserving and making recommended repairs, renovations, and improvements to the Clark-Haddad Memorial Building and surrounding property including all costs incidental and related thereto. This was a counted vote and declared carried by the Moderator by a vote of 128 yeas and 127 nays.

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. c.44, §53F¹/₂ to establish an enterprise fund for the delivery of operations and services at the Sandwich East Boat Basin Marina effective Fiscal Year 2018, or take any action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town accept the provisions of M.G.L. c.44, §53F¹/₂ to establish an enterprise fund for the delivery of operations and services at the Sandwich East Boat Basin Marina effective Fiscal Year 2018. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote in accordance with the regulations issued by the Department of Revenue in the Informational Guideline Release No. 98-403 to accept the terms and conditions of the twenty one year payment in lieu of tax agreement which is expected to be effective from Fiscal Year 2020 through Fiscal Year 2040 between the Town of Sandwich and NRG Canal 3 Development LLC dated October 19, 2016 and entitled "Payment In Lieu Of Tax Agreement", a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk's Office, or take any action relative thereto.

Bob King of Summer Street moved the question. There was a second from the floor. This was a voice vote and declared carried by the Moderator.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town hear the report of the Capital Improvement Planning Committee and transfer and appropriate \$686,403 from Free Cash and transfer and appropriate \$150,000 from the Ambulance Fund receipts reserved for appropriation account, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of repairing equipment, vehicles and buildings, and providing related services as printed in Article 6 of the Warrant, with any unexpended funds to be placed in the Building Repairs / Capital Purchases account to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. This was a voice vote and declared carried unanimously by the Moderator.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 P.M.

I hereby certify that this is a true record of the Special Town Meeting held on November 21, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Taylor D. White", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Taylor D. White
Town Clerk